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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application. No. : 09/488,945  
Applicant : Ames, et al.  
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office action of November 19, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.